


IWG/AM-21
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MEMORANDUM FOR: IWG

SUBJECT : Statement on Status of IWG Activity

1. No meetings of IWG have been held in recent weeks because of the preoccupation of all economic defense agencies with the security list review. Certain problems have arisen, however, which appear to warrant a meeting of IWG on 13 May. There is attached a summary statement on the current status of selected IWG problems on which members are asked to comment.
2. Recent IWG inactivity has been due in part to the fact that the EDAC and its working groups have not been placing requests for intelligence support upon the IWG under the provisions of EDAC D-48. It is requested therefore that chairmen of EDAC working groups and IWG members bring to the attention of the Executive Secretary any economic defense problem on which IWG can provide intelligence support.
3. IWG has not participated directly in the security list review because of the time schedule established. For information of members a meeting was held on 8 April, attended by the Commerce and Defense representatives, at which time arrangements were made to increase the flow of intelligence from the military intelligence agencies to JOC. It has not been considered feasible, however, to actually process the commodity intelligence through IWG, except in isolated instances where specific commodity papers had been initiated earlier.
4. Attention of members is invited to IWG/AM-18, 12 January 1954 and IWG/AM-2, S-9, 23 March 1954 which provides information on outstanding IWG projects.

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Executive Secretary
Intelligence Working Group

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